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In re Application of :
Szlam, et al. :
Application No. 09/885,717 : **ON PETITION**
Filed: June 20, 2001 :
Attorney Docket No. INVE16US :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed May 9, 2005, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely file a proper reply to the non-final Office action mailed March 29, 2004. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on June 30, 2004. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on March 17, 2005.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136, an extension of time must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum period obtainable for reply to avoid abandonment. Accordingly, since the \$2160.00 extension of time submitted with the petition on May 9, 2005 was subsequent to the maximum period obtainable for reply, this fee is unnecessary and will be credited to petitioner's deposit account.

The file is being forwarded to Technology Center 2100, for review of the amendment, filed May 9, 2005, *in due course*.

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